BOARDWALK EMPIRE RETURNS TO HBO

Miami, September 22, 2011 – HBO Latin America announced the October 2nd season two premiere of highly acclaimed drama series Boardwalk Empire. Directed and produced by Martin Scorsese (2011 Emmy® winner for Outstanding Directing in a Drama Series), and created by Terence Winter (Emmy® Award-winning writer of “The Sopranos”), the show chronicles the life and times of Enoch “Nucky” Thompson (Steve Buscemi, Emmy®-nominee and Golden Globe® winner), Atlantic City’s czar at a time when Prohibition proved to be a major catalyst in the rise of organized crime in America.

Set a few months after the end of season one, the 12 new episodes of Boardwalk Empire take place in 1921, after Nucky and his lieutenants – including young WWI veteran Jimmy Darmody (Michael Pitt), whom Nucky helped raise – appeared to solidify their power by successfully rigging an election and getting a Nucky crony elected as Mayor. Though his fortunes soared in the wake of Prohibition’s enactment, Nucky begins to pay a steep price for wielding ultimate power in “the world’s playground.”

After a bloody KKK attack at Chalky White’s (Michael Kenneth Williams) bootleg warehouse, Nucky finds his hold on Atlantic City weakened, first by federal agents who arrest him for election fraud and ransack his office, then by members of his own inner circle and even his family, who align themselves with Jimmy’s father, the aging Commodore Louis Kaestner (Dabney Coleman), in an attempt to oust Nucky altogether. All the while, mobsters like Arnold Rothstein (Michael Stuhlbarg), Lucky Luciano (Vincent Piazza), Meyer Lansky (Anatol Yusef) and Al Capone (Stephen Graham) wait in the wings, looking for the right opportunity to grab a bigger piece of Nucky’s pie.

This season, the cast also includes: Kelly Macdonald (Golden Globe®- and Emmy®- nominee for her role in season one) as Margaret Schroeder, a mother with principles who becomes Nucky’s mistress; Michael Shannon (Oscar®-nominee) as Nelson Van Alden, a Prohibition agent with serious self-control issues; Shea Whigham as Nucky’s resentful brother Elias, the sheriff of Atlantic City; Gretchen Mol as Gillian, Jimmy’s showgirl mother; Aleksa Palladino as Angela Darmody, Jimmy’s wife; Anthony Laciura as Eddie Kessler, Nucky’s assistant; and Jack Huston as Richard Harrow, a disfigured war veteran who has been befriended by Jimmy.

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Filmed in New York, Boardwalk Empire is based on the book, “Boardwalk Empire: The Birth, High Times and Corruption of Atlantic City” by Nelson Johnson. This drama series features a one-of-a-kind executive production crew, which includes Winter, Scorsese, Tim Van Patten (producer of The Sopranos and The Pacific), Stephen Levinson and Mark Wahlberg (executive producers of Entourage, How to Make it in America and In Treatment), and Gene Kelly.

